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Welcome to African Diary. This is your opportunity to promote emergency care related events happening in Africa. Every day across our continent, individuals and groups are involved in activities to improve either directly or indirectly, emergency care for patients. The goal is to develop the AfJEM community into a supportive, interactive network.

We encourage anyone teaching, developing or supporting events in Africa to write to us about their activities in order to promote their upcoming events.

Botswana starts EM training program

The first four registrars started their training in Emergency Medicine at the University of Botswana Medical School in Gaborone on 1 January 2011. Dr. Andrew Kestler and his team have taken on the challenge of the new programme. *Shajara* wishes the whole team all the best in their endeavours.

Tanzania starts EM training program

The first 8 residents started their training in Emergency Medicine at the Muhimbili National Hospital in Dar Es Salaam on 1 January 2011. Drs. Mike Runyon and Teri Reynolds have been the key drivers of the new programmes, supported by a

5 university consortium in what promises to be an exciting model for speciality training. *Shajara* wishes the whole team all the best in their endeavours.

Emergency Medicine in the Developing World Conference 2011

A Shajara highlight

The Emergency Medicine Society of South Africa (EMSSA) and the Division of Emergency Medicine at the University of Cape Town and Stellenbosch University will be hosting their 3rd biennial Emergency Medicine conference in Cape Town from 15 to 17 November 2011.

The theme of the conference this year will be Education and Training in Emergency Care. As usual there will be emergency nursing and prehospital medicine streams. The highlights of this year will be the Emergency Ultrasound forum, keynote presentations by Judith Tintinalli, Rob Rogers and Joe Lex. A number of pre-conference workshops will be held including a Critical Care Workshop, Football medicine workshop, Emergency Ultrasound, Disaster, Nursing, paediatric and advanced airway management. During the conference there will be a panel discussion on the challenges and essential elements of developing an Emergency Medicine Training program in Africa.

Registration and Abstract submission is now open. Remember that you can also sponsor a delegate for as little as R1600 (approximately \$230, €170, £145) or apply for sponsorship. Details are available on the conference website: www.emssa2011.co.za.

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